

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon (*Diwan Peishkar*): I want notice of that matter.

Dr. A. R. Menon (*Minister for Rural Development*): As a matter of fact the complaint has been preferred to me making allegations that they find it difficult to get loans. On a reference made to the Police Commissioner, he reported that these people are indiscriminately borrowing money and are not in a position to pay back, so that it was for their own benefit that he has issued the orders. Therefore the matter was dropped. There is no animosity at all. It is more for saving them that this action was taken. I am only giving this for your information.

DISPENSARIES IN MALARIAL TRACTS—SUPPLY OF QUININE

496. Mr. H. J. Walmesly (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(a) are all Government hospitals and dispensaries in malarial districts supplied with a sufficient quantity of quinine to meet all normal requirements during the fever season from January until July;

(b) if the answer is in the affirmative, will the Government state the quantity of quinine available in the Puducad Dispensary on the 1st March 1940 not taking into account gifts of quinine from private persons?

Dr. T. Verghese (*Chief Medical Officer*):

(a) Yes.

(b) Quinine Sulph 4 ozs.

Cinchona Febrifuge 8 ozs.

Mr. V. J. Mathai (*Planters*): May I know, Sir, how many doses can be administered by 12 ounces of Quinine.

Dr. T. Verghese (*Offg. Chief Medical Officer*): It depends upon the dose you administer.

Mr. V. J. Mathai (*Planters*): Any approximate idea of an average dose?

Dr. T. Verghese (*Offg. Chief Medical Officer*): It will depend upon the individuals. Puducad is not considered a malarial centre. Varandrapilli, which is a malarial place and where there is, a dispensary is supplied with ample quantity of quinine.

Mr. V. J. Mathai (*Planters*): When was quinine supplied to Puducad?

Dr. T. Verghese (*Offg. Chief Medical Officer*): Early in Meenam. There was no complaint that there was an insufficient supply.

Mr. V. J. Mathai (*Planters*): Am I to take it that there is plenty of supply in Varandarapilli?

Dr. T. Verghese (*Offg. Chief Medical Officer*): Yes.

Mr. V. J. Mathai (*Planters*): Have we a dispensary at Varandarapilli?

Dr. T. Verghese (*Offg. Chief Medical Officer*): Yes, there is a rural dispensary.

Mr. V. J. Mathai (*Planters*): Are we giving sufficient supply to the Rural dispensary?

Dr. T. Verghese (*Offg. Chief Medical Officer*): Yes.

Mr. C. V. Iyyu (*Kunnamkulam*): Why not Government supply quinine through Anchal Offices just as Government does in British India through Post Offices.

Dr. A. R. Menon (*Minister for Rural Development*): It won't be advisable.

Mr. C. V. Iyyu (*Kunnamkulam*): People purchase it.

Dr. T. Verghese (*Offg. Chief Medical Officer*): It is not free.

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Mr. V. J. Mathai (*Planters*): May I know whether there are supplies to the Vaniampara region?

Dr. T. Verghese (*Offg. Chief Medical Officer*): Everywhere it is supplied.

Mr. V. J. Mathai (*Planters*): Pattikad?

Dr. A. R. Menon (*Minister for Rural Development*): Pattikad has also been provided with quinine. I have received no complaint at all.

Mr. V. J. Mathai (*Planters*): May I request the Government that in view of the vigorous steps that the Government are taking in this matter the question of Vaniampara and Varandrapilli also may be considered.

Dr. T. Verghese (*Offg. Chief Medical Officer*): I have not received any complaint with regard to these places. I shall see that the necessary amount of quinine is supplied.

Mr. A. B. Salem (*Mattancheri*): What is the quantity of the gift of quinine from private parties?

Dr. T. Verghese (*Offg. Chief Medical Officer*): Two pounds of quinine.

Mr. A. B. Salem (*Mattancheri*): What is the Government supply to the Pudukkad dispensary for one year?

Dr. T. Verghese (*Offg. Chief Medical Officer*): Six pounds of quinine and six pounds of chinchona febrifuge.

KANDASSANKADAVU—LANE NEAR GIRLS' L. S. SCHOOL

497. Mr. K. R. Viswambharan (*Ezhuvas-Talappalli*): Will the Government be pleased to state.—

- (a) whether there is a lane adjacent to the Convent Girls' Lower Secondary School, Kandassankadavu in Karamuk village on the western side of the said school;
- (b) whether it is a *poramboke* lane or a private one;
- (c) the length in furlongs of the above lane; where is the terminus of the lane;
- (d) whether there is anything in record in the Revenue Department to show when this lane was first opened and at whose request;
- (e) whether the lane is not made use of by the public at present;
- (f) whether there are lanes or roads other than the one referred to in (a) leading to the area where the lane terminates;
- (g) whether any request has been received by the revenue authorities for assignment of the lane. If so, from whom and when; the area sought to be assigned to the applicant;
- (h) whether the Panchayat of the locality was consulted on the question of assignment of this lane to private parties;
- (i) if so, what is the opinion of the Panchayat with regard to this question of assignment?

Dr. A. R. Menon (*Minister for Rural Development*):

- (a) Yes.
- (b) It is a *poramboke* lane.
- (c) Total length about 4 furlongs. This lane connects the Kandassankadavu road on the south with the Karamuk Panchayat road on the east.
- (d) No. This lane was in existence even at the time of general survey.